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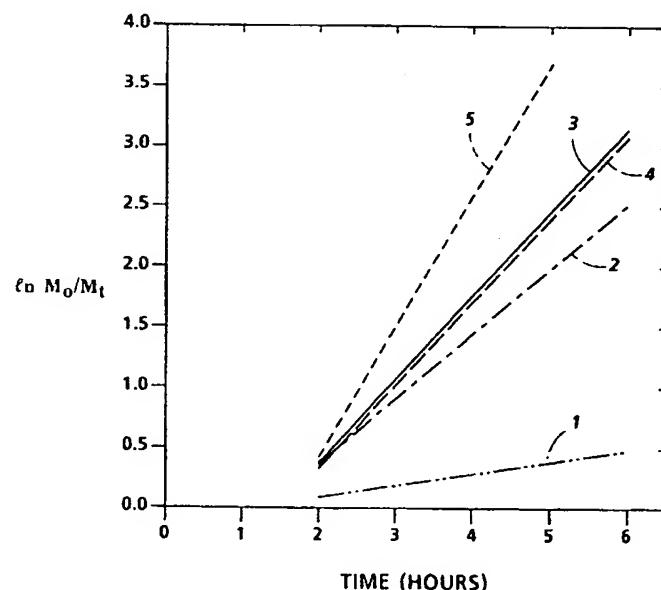
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(54) Rate enhanced polymerization processes for producing polymers having narrow polydispersity

(57) A polymerization process for the preparation of thermoplastic resin or resins comprising heating a mixture comprised of a free radical initiator, a stable free radical agent, at least one polymerizable monomer com-

pound, and a sulfonic acid salt polymerization rate enhancing compound, to form a thermoplastic resin or resins with a high monomer to polymer conversion and a narrow polydispersity.

FIG. 1



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